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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, which the Examiner may deem relevant to the patentability of the above-identified application.

The USPTO has waived the requirements under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2)(I) to submit copies of U.S. Patent and U.S. Patent applications, publications when citing and submitting an Information Disclosure Statement in a patent application filed after June 30, 2003, and International Application that has entered the National Stage under 37 U.S.C. 371 after June 30, 2003. Accordingly, copies of these types of documents are not being supplied in connection with this application. Reference is being made to PRE-OG Notice from the Office of Patent Legal Administration dated July 25, 2003, stating an Information Disclosure Statement may be filed without copies of U.S. patent and published applications for patent applications filed after June 30, 2003.

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Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached PTO-1449. The references contained in this Information Disclosure Statement were first cited in the attached International Search Report dated June 16, 2004, in counterpart International Application No. PCT/US03/37601.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art."

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Except for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1349. This paragraph is intended to be a **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

Respectfully submitted,

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